

# The Third National Survey of Families in Japan (Middle Aged Respondents Version)

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### Instructions for completing the questionnaire:

- \*Please fill out with either a pencil or blue- or black-colored pen.
- \*Please answer the questions in order. There are some items that are applicable only for specified persons, and in that case please follow the instructions with (→).
- \*Depending on the question, please either circle the number which describes your answer or fill in the box with a number on your own. In case your answer corresponds to 'other' category, please circle that number and fill in the specific content in the (                      ).
- \*Some questions require you to fill in the Japanese year. In that case, please circle the Japanese year, "GENGO (Meiji era, Taisho era, Showa era, and Heisei era)," and fill in the year in the next box.
- \*Please circle one answer if it is specified (Circle one), and circle more than one answer if it is specified (Circle as many as they apply) at the end of the question.
- \*After completing the survey, please check your response again to make sure that there are no mistakes or missed items.
- \*The investigator will visit you on (Day\_\_\_\_, Month\_\_\_\_) to collect the questionnaire with your answers. Please complete this questionnaire by that day.

### **\*\* First, we would like to ask you about yourself.**

#### Q1. What is your sex? (Circle one)

1. Male                      2. Female

#### Q2. Please fill out both the year/month when you were born, and your current age. (Enter the number)

Showa year  month  Currently  years old

#### Q3. (1) Which of the following school did you last attend? Consider not having completed and currently in school along with graduation. (Circle one)

1. Junior high school                      5. University (four-year)

- 2. High school
- 3. Vocational school (after high school)
- 4. Junior college and technical college
- 6. Graduate school or university (six-year)
- 7. Other (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )

**(2) When did you graduate from or stop attending the school indicated above? If you are currently in the school, please answer about the school you last graduated or stopped attending. (Circle one GENGO and enter the number)**

- 1. Showa
- 2. Heisei      year     month     (or when you were  years old)

**Q4. Have you ever lived in a separate household from your parents for more than one year (because of your own school, job, and/or marriage)? (Circle one)**

- 1. I have lived in a separate household from my parents for more than one year.
  - 2. I have never lived in a separate household from my parents.
  - 3. I never lived in a separate household from my parents until they died  
(I lived with my parents all the time).
- Proceed to Q5

**SQ1. When did you live in a separate household from your parents for the first time (Please answer the time when you lived in a separate household from your parents for the first time even if you later lived with them)? (Circle one GENGO and enter the number)**

- 1. Showa
- 2. Heisei      year     month     (or when you were  years old)

**SQ2. What was the main reason for living in a separate household from your parents for the first time? (Circle one)**

- 1. New school, schooling, or commuting to school
- 2. New job
- 3. Job relocation or change of job
- 4. Marriage or cohabitation
- 5. Reasons for parents
- 6. Other (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )

**\*\* We will now ask about your job.**

**[The following questions are for all respondents.]**

**Q5. Do you currently hold an income earning job? (Circle one)**

- 1. Yes.                      2. Yes, but I'm temporarily absent from work.  
(Tell us about your current job)
- 3. No, but I had a job in the past.  
(Tell us about the main job you have had)
- 4. No. I have never had any job.      → Proceed to Q6

**SQ1. Which one of the following describes this job? (Circle one)**

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|--|--|
| 1. Corporate owner or executive                              | 5. Self-employed or freelance              |
| 2. Full-time year-round employee<br>(including civil worker) | 6. Family employee of independent business |
| 3. Temporary or part-time employee                           | 7. Home handicraft worker                  |
| 4. Dispatched, contract, or non-regular<br>staff worker      |  |

**SQ2. Which of the following classifications describes the type of this job? (Circle one)**

1. Professional or technical (e.g., doctor, lawyer, teacher, engineer, nurse, writer, designer, editor)
2. Administrative (e.g., managerial position no lower than section chief, councilor)
3. Office work or business (e.g., clerk, business trade, bank employee, key puncher, bill collector)
4. Retail or service (e.g., shopkeeper, store clerk, salesperson, hairdresser, laundry, food server, customer service, cleaning, helper)
5. Skill, physical or manual work (e.g., factory worker, a self-defense force, police officer, craft worker, construction worker, driver)
6. Agriculture, forestry, or fishing (including gardener, nursery)
7. Other (Specify \_\_\_\_\_)

**SQ3. Tell us the number of your co-workers. If you work(ed) for a corporation, please tell us the total number of employees, NOT just for the branch office. (Circle one)**

- |                      |                         |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. 1 - 9 persons     | 5. 500 - 999 persons    |
| 2. 10 - 99 persons   | 6. 1000 or more persons |
| 3. 100 - 299 persons | 7. public offices       |
| 4. 300 - 499 persons |                         |

[If you do not currently hold an income earning job, proceed to Q6]

**【SQ4 through SQ7 are for those who currently hold an income-earning job.】**

**SQ4. How many days do you currently work per month? Please answer as if a month consists of four weeks (28 days).**

About  days a month.

**SQ5. How many hours do you currently work each day? Please answer your average work hours, including overtime on your work days. (Include lunch and other breaks)**

About  hours and  minutes per day, on average.

**SQ6. How much time do you spend on your one-way commute? If you work at home, please fill in “0 minutes.”**

About  hours and  minutes each way.

**SQ7. We would like to ask about the relationship between your job and family. Please circle the number which you feel best applies to the situation. (Circle one for each statement)**

	Applies	Somewhat Applies	Doesn't Apply Much	Applies Very Little
<b>A. Due to my job, I don't have enough time to spend with my family.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>B. I can't help worrying about my job even when I am at home.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>C. Due to family matters, I cannot allocate my time to my job as I wish.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>D. Due to fatigue from housework and childcare, I don't feel like working with my job.</b>	1	2	3	4

**【The following questions are for all respondents.】**

**Q6. Which of the following income categories is closest to your earning before taxes during the past year? Please answer the total amount including occasional/temporary income, supplemental income, and pension. (Circle one)**

- |                            |                             |                               |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Did not earn any income | 6. ¥3,000,000 - ¥3,999,999  | 11. ¥8,000,000 - ¥8,999,999   |
| 2. Less than ¥1,000,000    | 7. ¥4,000,000 - ¥4,999,999  | 12. ¥9,000,000 - ¥9,999,999   |
| 3. ¥1,000,000 - ¥1,299,999 | 8. ¥5,000,000 - ¥5,999,999  | 13. ¥10,000,000 - ¥10,999,999 |
| 4. ¥1,300,000 - ¥1,999,999 | 9. ¥6,000,000 - ¥6,999,999  | 14. ¥11,000,000 - ¥11,999,999 |
| 5. ¥2,000,000 - ¥2,999,999 | 10. ¥7,000,000 - ¥7,999,999 | 15. ¥12,000,000 or more       |

**\*\*We would like to ask about your marriage and spouse.**

[Marriage includes a common law relationship without official marriage documents.  
Your spouse indicates your husband, wife, better half, and/or partner.]

**Q7. Do you currently have a spouse? If you are widowed or divorced, please answer the following**



2. Experienced a death of the spouse
3. Experienced both divorce and death of the spouse
4. Experienced neither

**SQ6. Which of the following schools did your spouse last attend? Consider not having completed and currently in school along with graduation. (Circle one)**

1. Junior high school (elementary school [Jinjo ka or Koutou ka], Kokumin shougakkou, or Seinen gakkou before WWII)
2. High school (Chuugakkou, Koutou jogakkou, Jitsugyou koukou, or Shihan gakkou before WWII)
3. Vocational school (Senmon gakkou, after high school)
4. Junior college or technical college (Koukou, Senmon gakkou, or Koutou shihan gakkou before WWII)
5. University (four-year) (four-year university before WWII)
6. Graduate school or university (six-year)
7. Other (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )

**SQ7. Does your spouse currently hold an income earning job? (Circle one)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Yes.                      2. Yes, but s/he is temporarily absent from work.  
 (Tell us about his/her current job)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. No, but s/he had a job in the past.  
 (Tell us about the main job s/he has had)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. No. s/he has never had any job. → Proceed to SQ14

**SQ8. Which of the following describes this job? (Circle one)**

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|--|--|
| 1. Corporate owner or executive                              | 5. Self-employed or freelance              |
| 2. Full-time year-round employee<br>(including civil worker) | 6. Family employee of independent business |
| 3. Temporary or part-time employee                           | 7. Home handicraft worker                  |
| 4. Dispatched, contract, or non-regular<br>staff worker      |  |

**SQ9. Which of the following classifications describes the type of his/her job? (Circle one)**

1. Professional or technical (e.g., doctor, lawyer, teacher, engineer, nurse, writer, designer, editor)
2. Administrative (e.g., managerial position no lower than section chief, councilor)
3. Office work or business (e.g., clerk, business trade, bank employee, key puncher, bill collector)
4. Retail or service (e.g., shopkeeper, store clerk, salesperson, hairdresser, laundry, food server, customer service, cleaning, helper)
5. Skill, physical or manual work (e.g., factory worker, a self-defense force, police officer, craft worker, construction worker, driver)

6. Agriculture, forestry, or fishing (including gardener, nursery)

7. Other (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )

**SQ10. Tell us the number of his/her co-workers. If s/he works(ed) for a corporation, please tell us the total number of employees, NOT just for the branch office. (Circle one)**

1. 1 - 9 persons

5. 500 - 999 persons

2. 10 - 99 persons

6. 1000 or more persons

3. 100 - 299 persons

7. public offices

4. 300 - 499 persons

8. I don't know

[If your spouse does not currently hold an income earning job, proceed to SQ14]

**【The following SQ11 through SQ13 are for those whose spouse currently holds an income-earning job.】**

**SQ11. How many days does your spouse currently work per month? Please answer as if a month consists of four weeks (28 days).**

About  days a month

**SQ12. How many hours does your spouse currently work per day? Please answer his/her average work hours, including overtime, on his/her work days. (Include lunch and other breaks)**

About  hours and  minutes per day, on average

**SQ13. How much time does your spouse spend on his/her one-way commute? If s/he works at home, please fill in "0 minute."**

About  hours and  minutes one way.

**【The following SQ14 through SQ21 are for those who currently have a spouse.】**

**SQ14. How much income did your spouse earn before taxes during the past year? Please answer including occasional/temporary income, supplemental income, and pension. (Circle one)**

1. Did not have any income

6. ¥3,000,000 - ¥3,999,999

11. ¥8,000,000 - ¥8,999,999

2. Less than ¥1,000,000

7. ¥4,000,000 - ¥4,999,999

12. ¥9,000,000 - ¥9,999,999

3. ¥1,000,000 - ¥1,299,999

8. ¥5,000,000 - ¥5,999,999

13. ¥10,000,000 - ¥10,999,999

4. ¥1,300,000 - ¥1,999,999

9. ¥6,000,000 - ¥6,999,999

14. ¥11,000,000 - ¥11,999,999

5. ¥2,000,000 - ¥2,999,999

10. ¥7,000,000 - ¥7,999,999

15. ¥12,000,000 or more

**SQ15. How would you describe your spouse's overall health during the past year? (Circle one)**

1. Very good    2. Somewhat good    3. Neither good nor poor    4. Somewhat poor    5. Very poor

**SQ16. How much time per day on the average, do you have an "in depth" conversation with your spouse? Please answer for weekdays and weekend. (Circle one for each)**

	0 minute	Less than 30 min.	30 min. ~ 1 hour	1 ~ 1.5 hours	1.5 ~ 2 hours	2 ~ 2.5 hours	2.5 ~ 3 hours	More than 3 hours
<b>A. Weekdays</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>B. Weekend</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

**SQ17. How would each of the following items (A) through (C) apply to you and your spouse?**

(Circle one for each question)

	Applies	Somewhat Applies	Applies Little	Does Not Apply
<b>A. My spouse listens to my concerns and worries.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>B. My spouse highly appreciates my ability and effort.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>C. My spouse offers me helpful words and advice.</b>	1	2	3	4

**SQ18. How often do you and your spouse currently engage in the household tasks described in the following A through E? Please answer for both you and your spouse. (Circle one for each)**

	Yourself					Your Spouse				
	Almost everyday (6-7 times a week)	4-5 times a week	2-3 times a week	About once a week	Rarely	Almost everyday (6-7 times a week)	4-5 times a week	2-3 times a week	About once a week	Rarely
<b>A. Preparing meals</b>	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
<b>B. Cleaning up after meals</b>	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
<b>C. Grocery shopping</b>	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
<b>D. Washing clothes</b>	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
<b>E. Housecleaning (rooms, bathtubs, toilets)</b>	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5



**SQ19. How satisfied are you with your marriage life in terms of the following items (A) through (D)? If you don't have any children, please circle 5. (Circle one for each question)**

	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	Don't have children
<b>A. The way your spouse deals with child raising</b>	1	2	3	4	5
<b>B. The way your spouse deals with housework</b>	1	2	3	4	
<b>C. Sex life</b>	1	2	3	4	
<b>D. Spousal relationship as a whole</b>	1	2	3	4	

**SQ20. From your viewpoint, do you consider your spouse currently "part of your family?" (Circle one)**

1. Yes.                      2. No.                      3. Neither/I don't know.

**SQ21. Have you ever experienced divorce or widowhood before marrying your current spouse? (Circle one)**

1. No (The current spouse is the first person you married). → Proceed to Q8  
 2. I have experienced a divorce.  
 3. I have experienced widowhood.  
 4. I have experienced both.

**【SQ22 is for those who experienced either divorce or widowhood.】**

**SQ22. When did you get married for the first time? (Circle one GENGO and enter the number)**

1. Showa  
 2. Heisei                      year  month  (or when you were  years old)

**【SQ23 is for those who currently don't have a spouse. If you have a spouse, proceed to Q8】**

**SQ23. Would you like to get married in the future? (Circle one)**

1. Absolutely yes.                      2. I would rather.                      3. I can't say one or the other.  
 4. I would rather not.                      5. Absolutely no.

**\*\* We would like to ask you about your thoughts and opinions.**

**【The following questions are for all respondents】**

**Q8. What do you think of each of the following opinions? Please choose the answer closest to yours.**

**(Circle one for each question)**

	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Somewhat Agree</b>	<b>Somewhat Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>
<b>A. Men should earn the living and women should take care of the home.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>B. Mothers should not work outside and should concentrate on childcare until a child becomes 3 years old.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>C. It is a man's role to (financially) support his family.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>D. It is all right for a married couple not to officially marry if they agree with each other.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>E. Once married, people don't have to have children.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>F. When married people are not satisfied with each other, they can get divorced.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>G. When parents cannot live by themselves due to their old age, children should live with them.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>H. It is a child's responsibility to support parents who have no income due to their old age</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>I. It is natural for a child to take care of parents when they become bedridden.</b>	1	2	3	4

**Q9. We would like to ask you about your physical or mental state during the past week. How often did you experience each of the following feelings or matters? (Circle one for each question)**

	<b>Not at all</b>	<b>1~2 days a week</b>	<b>3~4 days a week</b>	<b>Almost everyday</b>
<b>A. I was bothered by things which usually don't bother me.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>B. I felt that I could not shake off the blues, even if my family or friends cheered me up.</b>	1	2	3	4
<b>C. I felt depressed.</b>	1	2	3	4

D. I had trouble keeping my mind on what I was doing.	1	2	3	4
E. My appetite decreased.	1	2	3	4
F. I felt that everything I did was an effort.	1	2	3	4
G. I felt fearful.	1	2	3	4
H. I had trouble sleeping.	1	2	3	4
I. I talked less than usual.	1	2	3	4
J. I felt lonely without company.	1	2	3	4
K. I felt that my days were fun.	1	2	3	4
L. I felt sad.	1	2	3	4

**Q10. During the past month, how often did you experience each of the following? Tell us about each.**  
(Circle one for each question)

	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
A. feeling that I am not understood by family members	1	2	3	4
B. feeling that I had too much responsibilities for housework, child- and elderly-care	1	2	3	4
C. feeling anxious about the future of household economy	1	2	3	4

**Q11. How would you describe the general state of your health during the past year? (Circle one)**

1. Very good                      2. Somewhat good                      3. Neither good nor poor  
4. Somewhat poor                      5. Very poor

**Q12. Overall, how satisfied are you with your current living? (Circle one)**

1. Very satisfied                      2. Somewhat satisfied  
3. Somewhat dissatisfied                      4. Very dissatisfied

**\*\* We would like to ask you about your children.**

**[The following questions are for all respondents.]**

**Q13. How many children do you have (including adopted, step, and deceased children)?**

children                      0. No children → Proceed to Q14



**SQ1. For every one of your children, please answer their (1) sex and (2) birth year in the order of their birth for each living and deceased child. For living children, please answer (3) if they**

currently live with you or not.

\*Answer up to six living children and two deceased children. (Circle for each choice and enter the number)

	Your living children						Your deceased children	
	First child	Second child	Third child	Fourth child	Fifth child	Sixth child		
(1) Sex	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female
(2) Birth year	1. Showa 2. Heisei year ____	1. Showa 2. Heisei year ____	1. Showa 2. Heisei year ____	1. Showa 2. Heisei year ____	1. Showa 2. Heisei year ____	1. Showa 2. Heisei year ____	1. Showa 2. Heisei year ____	1. Showa 2. Heisei year ____
(3) If currently living w/ you	1. Lives with me 2. Lives separately	1. Lives with me 2. Lives separately	1. Lives with me 2. Lives separately	1. Lives with me 2. Lives separately	1. Lives with me 2. Lives separately	1. Lives with me 2. Lives separately		

**SQ2. Please answer the following questions for each of the first to third living children. If you have no living children, please proceed to SQ3.**

	The first child	The second child	The third child
A. Does this person currently have a job? (Circle one)			
	1. has a job 2. in school/not yet in school 3. has no job (including homemaker)	1. has a job 2. in school/not yet in school 3. has no job (including homemaker)	1. has a job 2. in school/not yet in school 3. has no job (including homemaker)
B. Where does this person live? Answer in time required by the most common transportation method. Circle "3" if living apart in the same apartment or condominium. (Circle one for each)			
	1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance) 2. in the same building (separate front entrances) 3. detached house on the same property 4. within 15 minutes 5. 15-30 minutes 6. 30-60 minutes	1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance) 2. in the same building (separate front entrances) 3. detached house on the same property 4. within 15 minutes 5. 15-30 minutes 6. 30-60 minutes	1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance) 2. in the same building (separate front entrances) 3. detached house on the same property 4. within 15 minutes 5. 15-30 minutes 6. 30-60 minutes

	7. 1-3 hours 8. more than 3 hours	7. 1-3 hours 8. more than 3 hours	7. 1-3 hours 8. more than 3 hours
C. Which school is this person currently attending or did s/he last attend? (Circle one) Treat dropout in the same manner as graduated.			
	0. Not yet enrolled in school 1. day-care or kindergarten 2. elementary school or junior high school 3. high school 4. vocational school (after high school graduation) 5. junior college, technical high school 6. 4-year university 7. graduate school or 6-year university	0. Not yet enrolled in school 1. day-care or kindergarten 2. elementary school or junior high school 3. high school 4. vocational school (after high school graduation) 5. junior college, technical high school 6. 4-year university 7. graduate school or 6-year university	0. Not yet enrolled in school 1. day-care or kindergarten 2. elementary school or junior high school 3. high school 4. vocational school (after high school graduation) 5. junior college, technical high school 6. 4-year university 7. graduate school or 6-year university
D. Does this person have children? If so, indicate their ages. (Circle as many as they apply)			
	1. no children 2. children between 0 and 5 3. children between 6 and 17 4. children 18 or older	1. no children 2. children between 0 and 5 3. children between 6 and 17 4. children 18 or older	1. no children 2. children between 0 and 5 3. children between 6 and 17 4. children 18 or older
E. How often did you speak in depth with this person during the past year (including phone conversation)? (Circle one)			
	1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week) 2. 3-4 times a week 3. 1-2 times a week 4. 1-2 times a month 5. several times a year 6. none at all	1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week) 2. 3-4 times a week 3. 1-2 times a week 4. 1-2 times a month 5. several times a year 6. none at all	1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week) 2. 3-4 times a week 3. 1-2 times a week 4. 1-2 times a month 5. several times a year 6. none at all
F. During the past year, did you <u>receive</u> any <u>financial support</u> (remittance, allowance, gift money) from this person? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No
G. During the past year, did you <u>ask</u> this person for <u>advice</u> ? (Circle one for each)			

	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
H. During the past year, did you <u>receive any help</u> from this person in <u>nursing and/or housework</u> ? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
I. During the past year, did you <u>give any financial support</u> (remittance, allowance, gift money) to this person? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No
J. During the past year, did you <u>give this person any advice</u> ? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
K. During the past year, did you <u>give any help</u> to this person in <u>nursing and/or housework</u> ? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
L. How is the relationship with this person? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Good 2. Somewhat good 3. Somewhat poor 4. Poor	1. Good 2. Somewhat good 3. Somewhat poor 4. Poor	1. Good 2. Somewhat good 3. Somewhat poor 4. Poor
M. Do you consider this person <u>currently</u> “part of your family?” (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.
N. Do you consider this person’s spouse <u>currently</u> “part of your family?” (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know. 4. S/he has no spouse.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know. 4. S/he has no spouse.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know. 4. S/he has no spouse.

**SQ3. When you became pregnant with or had your first child, what did you do with your job?**  
(Circle as many as they apply)

0. I didn’t have a job.      3. I changed the type of job or job category in the same work place.  
1. I quit my job.              4. I received child-care leave.

2. I changed my job.      5. There was no change in my job (I continued the same job as before birth).  
 6. Other (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )

**\*\* We would like to ask you about your parents. (If you have parent(s) other than your biological parent(s), such as adoptive parent(s) or stepparent(s), please think of the person with whom you had been involved for the longest time as a child.)**

**【The following questions are for all respondents.】**

**Q14. For your father and mother, please indicate their birth years, ages, education levels, and whether or not they are alive. (Circle one and enter the number)**

	Your father	Your mother
<b>A. Birth year (Circle one GENGO and enter the number)</b>		
<b>*If deceased, enter GENGO and birth year only.</b>		
	1. Meiji 2. Taisho    born in _____      currently _____ 3. Showa <input type="text"/> year <input type="text"/> years old 4. I don't know.	1. Meiji 2. Taisho    born in _____      currently _____ 3. Showa <input type="text"/> year <input type="text"/> years old 4. I don't know.
<b>B. Which of the following schools <u>did this person last attend</u> (or is currently enrolled in)? Treat dropout in the same manner as graduated. (Circle one for each)</b>		
	1. Junior high school (elementary school before WWII [Jinjo ka, Koutou ka], Kokumin shougakkou, or Seinen gakkou) 2. High school (Junior high school before WWII, Jitsugyou gakkou, or Shihan gakkou) 3. Vocational school (after high school) 4. Junior college or technical college (high school, Senmon gakkou, or Koutou shihan gakkou before WWII) 5. 4-year university (4-year university before WWII) 6. Graduate school or 6-year university 7. Other (Specify _____ ) 8. I don't know.	1. Junior high school (elementary school before WWII [Jinjo ka, Koutou ka], Kokumin shougakkou, or Seinen gakkou) 2. High school (Koutou jogakkou before WWII, Jitsugyou gakkou, or Shihan gakkou) 3. Vocational school (after high school) 4. Junior college or technical college (high school, Senmon gakkou, or Koutou shihan gakkou before WWII) 5. 4-year university (4-year university before WWII) 6. Graduate school or 6-year university 7. Other (Specify _____ ) 8. I don't know.
<b>C. Whether they are alive or not (Circle the applicable number and enter the numbers if they are deceased).</b>		

1. alive 2. deceased (in case of deceased) he died in: ┌ 1. Taisho ├ 2. Showa <input type="text"/> year └ 3. Heisei [Or when he was <input type="text"/> years old]	1. alive 2. deceased (in case of deceased) she died in: ┌ 1. Taisho ├ 2. Showa <input type="text"/> year └ 3. Heisei [Or when she was <input type="text"/> years old]
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**SQ1. For (A) through (L) below, please circle the most applicable choice. If either your father or mother is deceased, please answer only for the one who is alive. (If both are deceased, proceed to Q15)**

	<b>Your father</b>		<b>Your mother</b>
<b>A. Does this person currently have a job? (Circle one)</b>			
	1. has a job 2. has no job (including retired/househusband)		1. has a job 2. has no job (including retired/housewife)
<b>B. Where does this person live? Answer in time required by the most common transportation method. Circle "3" if living apart in the same apartment or condominium. (Circle one for each)</b>			
	1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance) 2. in the same building (separate front entrances) 3. detached house on the same property 4. within 15 minutes 5. 15-30 minutes 6. 30-60 minutes 7. 1-3 hours 8. more than 3 hours		1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance) 2. in the same building (separate front entrances) 3. detached house on the same property 4. within 15 minutes 5. 15-30 minutes 6. 30-60 minutes 7. 1-3 hours 8. more than 3 hours
<b>C. How often did you speak in depth with this person during the past year (including phone conversation)? (Circle one)</b>			
	1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week) 2. 3-4 times a week 3. 1-2 times a week 4. 1-2 times a month 5. several times a year 6. none at all		1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week) 2. 3-4 times a week 3. 1-2 times a week 4. 1-2 times a month 5. several times a year 6. none at all
<b>D. During the past year, did you <u>receive</u> any <u>financial support</u> (remittance, allowance, gift money) from this person? (Circle one for each)</b>			



	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No
E. During the past year, did you <u>ask</u> this person for <u>advice</u> ? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
F. During the past year, did you <u>receive any help</u> from this person in <u>nursing and/or housework</u> ? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
G. During the past year, did you <u>give any financial support</u> (remittance, allowance, gift money) to this person? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No
H. During the past year, did you <u>give</u> this person any <u>advice</u> ? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
I. During the past year, did you <u>give any help</u> to this person in <u>nursing and/or housework</u> ? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
J. During the past year, how often did you see this person?		
	1. Almost everyday 2. Several times a week 3. 1-3 times a month 4. 4-11 times a year 5. 2-3 times a year 6. Once a year 7. Not once	1. Almost everyday 2. Several times a week 3. 1-3 times a month 4. 4-11 times a year 5. 2-3 times a year 6. Once a year 7. Not once
K. How is the relationship with this person? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Good 2. Somewhat good 3. Somewhat poor 4. Poor	1. Good 2. Somewhat good 3. Somewhat poor 4. Poor
L. Do you consider this person <u>currently</u> “part of your family?” (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.

**\*\* We would like to ask you about your siblings (brothers and sisters).**

**[The following question is for all respondents.]**

**Q15. How many siblings (excluding brothers in-law and sisters in-law) do (did) you have?**

**Please answer the number of sibling in each category for those who are alive and deceased.**

**Circle “0” if there is no one applicable.**

	<b>Older brother</b>	<b>Older sister</b>	<b>Younger brother</b>	<b>Younger sister</b>
<b>Alive</b>	<input type="text"/> persons 0. no live older brother	<input type="text"/> persons 0. no live older sister	<input type="text"/> persons 0. no live younger brother	<input type="text"/> persons 0. no live younger sister
<b>Deceased</b>	<input type="text"/> persons 0. no deceased older brother	<input type="text"/> persons 0. no deceased older sister	<input type="text"/> persons 0. no deceased younger brother	<input type="text"/> persons 0. no deceased younger sister
	0. no older brother	0. no older sister	0. no younger brother	0. no younger sister

↓ **[If you don't have any siblings alive, proceed to Q16]**

**[The following questions are for respondents whose siblings are alive.]**

**SQ1. For (A) through (M) below, please circle the most applicable choice or fill in the number for each of the living siblings in the order of their age. If you have 4 or more living siblings, please answer about the 3 oldest siblings. Please exclude yourself.**

	<b>Oldest sibling</b>	<b>Second sibling</b>	<b>Third sibling</b>
<b>A. Sex (circle one)</b>			
	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female	1. male 2. female
<b>B. Birth year (Circle one GENGO and enter the birth year)</b>			
	1. Taisho 2. Showa <input type="text"/> year 3. Heisei 4. I don't know.	1. Taisho 2. Showa <input type="text"/> year 3. Heisei 4. I don't know.	1. Taisho 2. Showa <input type="text"/> year 3. Heisei 4. I don't know.
<b>C. Where does this person live? Answer in time required by the most common transportation method. Circle “3” if living apart in the same apartment or condominium. (Circle one for each)</b>			
	1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance) 2. in the same building (separate front entrances) 3. detached house on the	1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance) 2. in the same building (separate front entrances) 3. detached house on the	1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance) 2. in the same building (separate front entrances) 3. detached house on the

	<p>same property</p> <p>4. within 15 minutes</p> <p>5. 15-30 minutes</p> <p>6. 30-60 minutes</p> <p>7. 1-3 hours</p> <p>8. more than 3 hours</p>	<p>same property</p> <p>4. within 15 minutes</p> <p>5. 15-30 minutes</p> <p>6. 30-60 minutes</p> <p>7. 1-3 hours</p> <p>8. more than 3 hours</p>	<p>same property</p> <p>4. within 15 minutes</p> <p>5. 15-30 minutes</p> <p>6. 30-60 minutes</p> <p>7. 1-3 hours</p> <p>8. more than 3 hours</p>
<p><b>D. Which of the following schools <u>did this person last attend</u> (or is currently enrolled in)? Treat dropout in the same manner as graduated. (Circle one for each)</b></p>			
	<p>1. Not yet enrolled in school</p> <p>2. Junior high school (or elementary school under the old system)</p> <p>3. High school (or junior high school under the old system/Koutou jogakkou)</p> <p>4. Vocational school (after high school)</p> <p>5. Junior college or technical college (high school under the old system)</p> <p>6. 4-year university</p> <p>7. Graduate school or 6-year university</p>	<p>1. Not yet enrolled in school</p> <p>2. Junior high school (or elementary school under the old system)</p> <p>3. High school (or junior high school under the old system/Koutou jogakkou)</p> <p>4. Vocational school (after high school)</p> <p>5. Junior college or technical college (high school under the old system)</p> <p>6. 4-year university</p> <p>7. Graduate school or 6-year university</p>	<p>1. Not yet enrolled in school</p> <p>2. Junior high school (or elementary school under the old system)</p> <p>3. High school (or junior high school under the old system/Koutou jogakkou)</p> <p>4. Vocational school (after high school)</p> <p>5. Junior college or technical college (high school under the old system)</p> <p>6. 4-year university</p> <p>7. Graduate school or 6-year university</p>
<p><b>E. How often did you speak in depth with this person during the past year (including phone conversation)? (Circle one)</b></p>			
	<p>1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week)</p> <p>2. 3-4 times a week</p> <p>3. 1-2 times a week</p> <p>4. 1-2 times a month</p> <p>5. several times a year</p> <p>6. none at all</p>	<p>1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week)</p> <p>2. 3-4 times a week</p> <p>3. 1-2 times a week</p> <p>4. 1-2 times a month</p> <p>5. several times a year</p> <p>6. none at all</p>	<p>1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week)</p> <p>2. 3-4 times a week</p> <p>3. 1-2 times a week</p> <p>4. 1-2 times a month</p> <p>5. several times a year</p> <p>6. none at all</p>
<p><b>F. During the past year, did you <u>receive</u> any <u>financial support</u> (remittance, allowance, gift money) from this person? (Circle one for each)</b></p>			
	<p>1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more)</p> <p>2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year)</p> <p>3. No</p>	<p>1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more)</p> <p>2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year)</p> <p>3. No</p>	<p>1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more)</p> <p>2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year)</p> <p>3. No</p>

G. During the past year, did you <u>ask</u> this person for <u>advice</u> ? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
H. During the past year, did you <u>receive any help</u> from this person in <u>nursing and/or housework</u> ? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
I. During the past year, did you <u>give any financial support</u> (remittance, allowance, gift money) to this person? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No
J. During the past year, did you <u>give</u> this person any <u>advice</u> ? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
K. During the past year, did you <u>give any help</u> to this person in <u>nursing and/or housework</u> ? (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
L. Do you consider this person <u>currently</u> “part of your family?” (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.
M. Do you consider this person’s spouse <u>currently</u> “part of your family?” (Circle one for each)			
	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know. 4. S/he has no spouse.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know. 4. S/he has no spouse.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know. 4. S/he has no spouse.

**\*\* We would like to ask you about the parents of your spouse (including a common law relationship without official marriage documents).**

**If you are currently divorced, widowed, or never married, proceed to Q17.**

**【The following questions are for respondents who are currently married.】**

**Q16. For your father-in-law and mother-in-law please indicate the birth year and whether they are alive or not. (Circle one and enter the number)**

Your father-in-law		Your mother-in-law	
<b>A. Birth year</b>			
1. Meiji	2. Taisho born in	3. Showa <input type="text"/> year	4. I don't know.
1. Meiji	2. Taisho born in	3. Showa <input type="text"/> year	4. I don't know.
<b>B. Whether they are alive or not.</b>			
1. Alive	2. Deceased before you married	3. Deceased after you married	

[If both your father-in-law and mother-in-law are deceased, proceed to Q17]

**SQ1. For (A) through (L) below, please circle the most applicable choice. If either your father-in-law or mother-in-law is deceased, please answer only for the one who is alive.**

Your father-in-law		Your mother-in-law	
<b>A. Does this person currently have a job? (Circle one)</b>			
1. has a job	2. has no job (including retired/househusband)	1. has a job	2. has no job (including retired/housewife)
<b>B. Where does this person live? Answer in time required by the most common transportation method. Circle "3" if living apart in the same apartment or condominium. (Circle one for each)</b>			
1. in the same building (sharing the front entrance)	2. in the same building (separate front entrances)	3. detached house on the same property	4. within 15 minutes
5. 15-30 minutes	6. 30-60 minutes	7. 1-3 hours	8. more than 3 hours
<b>C. How often did you speak in depth with this person during the past year (including phone conversation)? (Circle one for each)</b>			
1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week)	2. 3-4 times a week	3. 1-2 times a week	
1. almost everyday (5-7 times a week)	2. 3-4 times a week	3. 1-2 times a week	

	4. 1-2 times a month 5. several times a year 6. none at all	4. 1-2 times a month 5. several times a year 6. none at all
D. During the past year, did you <u>receive</u> any <u>financial support</u> (remittance, allowance, gift money) from this person? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No
E. During the past year, did you <u>ask</u> this person for <u>advice</u> ? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
F. During the past year, did you <u>receive any help</u> from this person in <u>nursing and/or housework</u> ? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
G. During the past year, did you <u>give any financial support</u> (remittance, allowance, gift money) to this person? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No	1. Yes (¥300,000 a year or more) 2. Yes (less than ¥300,000 a year) 3. No
H. During the past year, did you <u>give</u> this person any <u>advice</u> ? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
I. During the past year, did you <u>give any help</u> to this person in <u>nursing and/or housework</u> ? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes 2. No	1. Yes 2. No
J. During the past year, how often did you see this person?		
	1. Almost everyday 2. Several times a week 3. 1-3 times a month 4. 4-11 times a year 5. 2-3 times a year 6. Once a year 7. Not once	1. Almost everyday 2. Several times a week 3. 1-3 times a month 4. 4-11 times a year 5. 2-3 times a year 6. Once a year 7. Not once
K. How is the relationship with this person? (Circle one for each)		
	1. Good 2. Somewhat good 3. Somewhat poor	1. Good 2. Somewhat good 3. Somewhat poor

	4. Poor	4. Poor
L. Do you consider this person <u>currently</u> “part of your family?” (Circle one for each)		
	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.	1. Yes. 2. No. 3. Neither/I don’t know.

**\*\* We would like to ask you about the relationships between you and your relatives and the people around you.**

**【The following questions are for all respondents.】**

**Q17. When you need help or a person to talk to about the following problems (A) through (C), which persons or agencies do you depend on? Please circle responses that apply for each problem. (You may circle as many as they apply for each)**

	Your spouse	Your parents	Your siblings	Your children	Your spouse's parents	Your spouse's siblings	Your child's spouse	Other relatives	Your friends or coworkers	Your neighbors (in the community)	school personnel, helpers, etc.)	governments, financial institutions, Specialists and/or service agencies (e.g. governments, financial institutions, etc.)	Nobody
<b>A. When you get depressed or confused with problems</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
<b>B. When you need a quick loan (of about ¥300,000)</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
<b>C. When you or your family needs emergency assistance for sickness or accident</b>	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	

**Q18. Which of the following income categories is closest to your household income before taxes during the past year (the total amount of income of all household members who share the household budget)? (Circle one)**

- |                            |                               |                               |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Did not earn income     | 8. ¥5,000,000 - ¥5,999,999    | 15. ¥12,000,000 - ¥12,999,999 |
| 2. Less than ¥1,000,000    | 9. ¥6,000,000 - ¥6,999,999    | 16. ¥13,000,000 - ¥13,999,999 |
| 3. ¥1,000,000 - ¥1,299,999 | 10. ¥7,000,000 - ¥7,999,999   | 17. ¥14,000,000 - ¥14,999,999 |
| 4. ¥1,300,000 - ¥1,999,999 | 11. ¥8,000,000 - ¥8,999,999   | 18. ¥15,000,000 - ¥15,999,999 |
| 5. ¥2,000,000 - ¥2,999,999 | 12. ¥9,000,000 - ¥9,999,999   | 19. ¥16,000,000 or more       |
| 6. ¥3,000,000 - ¥3,999,999 | 13. ¥10,000,000 - ¥10,999,999 |                               |
| 7. ¥4,000,000 - ¥4,999,999 | 14. ¥11,000,000 - ¥11,999,999 |                               |

**\*\* We would like to ask you about the people you currently live with.**

**Q19. Which of the following describes the home you currently live? (Circle one)**

- Owned, free-standing house
- Owned, condominium, townhouse, apartment, etc.
- Rented, owned by the government or by government housing agencies
- Rented, house/apartment owned by private owner
- Company- or government-owned subsidized housing



6. Other (Specify \_\_\_\_\_ )

**Q20. How many people do you currently live with including yourself? Please exclude those who are temporarily keeping separate residence.**

Including you, \_\_\_\_\_ people (Write "01" if you are living alone)

**SQ1. From the following, list everyone whom you currently live with, including yourself. (Circle as many as they apply)**

- |   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| ①. Yourself   | 11. Your spouse's siblings           |
| 2. Your husband or wife (including common-law spouse) | 12. Your child's husband or wife     |
| 3. Your children                                      | 13. Your grandchildren               |
| 4. Your father  | 14. Your nephews or nieces           |
| 5. Your mother  | 15. Your spouse's nephews or nieces  |
| 6. Your father-in-law                                 | 16. Your uncles or aunts             |
| 7. Your mother-in-law                                 | 17. Your spouse's uncles or aunts    |
| 8. Your grandparents                                  | 18. Other relatives (Specify _____ ) |
| 9. Your spouse's grandparents                         | 19. Non-relatives (Specify _____ )   |
| 10. Your siblings                                     |                                      |

**SQ2. Who is the head of household? Please fill in the number given in SQ1 (1-19).**

The head of household is → #

**All the questions have been answered. Thank you for your cooperation for a long time.**